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The box below reminds us where we stand on our annual operating budget. The box doesn't cover Missions--every dollar given for Mission work goes out for Mission work. Rather, the box tells us where we stand on keeping the bills paid. For several months we've been running with an "unfavorable" position. But what goes on here is far from "unfavorable." Our Church is a busy place. Seven out of seven days a week, people meet and gather here – for our Faith and for our community. The Pre-School ministry brings over 300 children and adults through our doors every week. Our staff, for the first time in years, is at full capacity. As with any building, there are unexpected expenses. Please tithe and contribute regularly. – Your tithes and contributions help keep it all running!

Stewardship Committee

Elfinwild Presbyterian Church Financial Statement July 31, 2016		
Actual Tithes & Gifts Given		\$376,230
Total Expenses	(Y.T.D.)	\$399,086
Unfavorable	(Y.T.D.)	- \$22,856



# WELCOME TO ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We offer a warm welcome to every worshipper,  
and a way to serve for all who are willing.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 21, 2016

8:00 and 10:00 AM Worship

*You are invited to use Scripture for reflection  
or the following prayer as you prepare your hearts for worship.*

**“If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make Him out to be a liar and His word has no place in our lives.” 1 John 1:8-10**

PRELUDE

“Comfort in Prayer”

Garrett Parker

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

*Please sign the blue Friendship Pad in the pew near the center aisle.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 10:19-25

Leader: Brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, and since we have a great high priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith.

People: **We will hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.**

Leader: Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

People: **We will not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but we will encourage one another-and all the more as we see the Day approaching.**

Leader: Lift up your voices in praise!

People: **We will lift up our voices in praise and sing of God’s grace and love. We will worship the Lord our God!!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 477

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle’s Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of Heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into Hell;  
On the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into Heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father almighty;  
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.**

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Bless This House”  
Ralph George, Soloist

May H. Brahe

\*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 51

(page 536 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

“The Important Place of Confession in Our Lives”

Dr. Dirk Lesnett

TIME OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

SONG OF COMMITMENT

“Create In Me a Clean Heart”

Verse

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
(Repeat)**

Chorus

**Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord,  
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,  
and renew a right spirit within me.**

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others; it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails”. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8**

POSTLUDE

“Pipings”

James Southbridge

*Special thanks to our liturgist:  
10:00 – Mark Connelly*

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 8-21-16**

**TODAY** (8-21-16) 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Service – SA  
11:15 AM – Musical Practice – CR  
2:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Annual Church Picnic at Kiwanis Park  
7:00 PM – Back to School Prayer Service – SA

**MONDAY** 7:00 PM – Boy Scouts- FH  
7:00 PM – Walking at Hartwood

**TUESDAY** 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting – KL  
1:00 PM – Caring Hands – FH  
6:30 PM – Weigh to Lose  
7:00 PM – AARP Board Meeting – FH

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY** 7:00 AM – Men's Bible Study – PS  
10:30 AM – Grace Manor Service  
6:00 PM – Lions' Club – CCR  
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM – Musical Practice – CR  
7:00 PM – Stewardship Committee Meeting – KL  
7:00 PM – Walking at Hartwood

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY** 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM – CLC – YH

**SUNDAY** (8-28-16) 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM – Worship Service – SA  
11:00 AM – Sunday School Teacher Training – CCR  
12:15 PM – Musical Practice- CR  
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM – Youth Group Pool Party at the Feris Home

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in celebration of Jennifer and Rob Callahan's wedding anniversary

**THE ELDER OF THE WEEK** is Mark Connelly.

**HEARING ENHANCING EQUIPMENT:** If you have difficulty hearing during the worship service, please let one of the ushers know prior to the service, and you'll be given a hearing enhancer to use during the service.

**8:00 AM USHERS**

Mark Connelly  
Andrew Neil  
Len Colaizzi  
Marilyn Colaizzi

**10:00 AM USHERS**

Henry Tomer  
Nicole Graco  
Jerry Nist  
Dave Jenkins  
Becky Winek

**SOUND TECHNICIANS**

8:00 AM – Jim Saraceno  
10:00 AM – Mike Dolan

**UPCOMING SERVICE**

Sunday, August 28, 2016  
Dr. Dirk Lesnett preaching

**CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRY**

**Birth – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact  
Emily Cooper, Director of Children and Family Ministries  
at: [emily@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:emily@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400*

**1. CRADLE ROLL ROOM FOR AGES BIRTH THROUGH 2 1/2.** The Cradle Roll room is located past the church offices and choir room. The **TODDLER/PRESCHOOL ROOM** is open during the Sunday School time and the 10:00 worship hour. This is a class for children who are 2 ½ to 4 years of age.

**2. 10 AM GREEN ROOM FOR AGES 4 THROUGH GRADE 2** - Each week throughout the summer, we will meet and do an activity during the 10:00 service. If you are interested in teaching a lesson or for more information, please contact Emily Cooper.

**MUSIC MINISTRIES**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact  
Ron Bernhardt at: [ron@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:ron@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400.*

**3. MUSICAL THEATER** – Rehearsals for *Haphazardly Ever After the Musical* are scheduled. For a list of rehearsal days and times, please see the bulletin board in the choir room.

## **STUDENT MINISTRIES, Grades 6-12**

*For more information on these ministries, please contact*

*Rev. Jason Rea at: [jason@elfinwildchurch.org](mailto:jason@elfinwildchurch.org) or call 412-486-5400.*

**4. END OF SUMMER POOL PARTY** – Our annual end of summer pool party will be on Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> from 3-6 PM at the home of Mark and Bev Feris, 122 Eade Avenue, Glenshaw, PA.

**5. STUDENT MINISTRIES FALL KICKOFF: SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> FROM 5-7PM AT THE YOUTH HOUSE** We will officially kickoff our school year clubs on September 11<sup>th</sup>. This will be a combined club night for grades 6-12. We will play lots of games, have dinner together and then have a time of worship and sharing about what is coming up this year for our student ministries. We hope all Elfinwild students and their friends will consider coming out!

## **ELFINWILD CHURCH NEWS**

**6. 2016 CHANCEL FLOWERS** – Flowers for the Chancel are \$47 per week for two vases, or \$25 per week for a single table arrangement. Please call the church office to place an order or sign up on the flower chart in the back narthex.

**If a table arrangement is desired, you MUST notify the church office prior to the week you have chosen** as the weekly standing flower order is for two vases.

**7. PRAY WITHOUT CEASING...** Are you looking for a summer ministry? Our Wednesday Night Prayer Gatherings will continue through the summer (June, July and August) in the chapel on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, **starting at 7:00 PM**. We meet regularly to lift up concerns within the church family and for friends of Elfinwild. Please come and share in this powerful ministry! Everyone is welcome to come and join us in prayer or come to submit a prayer request. If you have any questions or would like to request prayer, please call or text Kris Shideler at 412-480-8466.

**8. ELFINWILD HOME MEALS MINISTRY** –The Meals Ministry serves over 70 clients each day with nutritious, well-balanced meals. Volunteers are needed for this important ministry everyday either to assist in the delivery of the meals to our clients or to assist in the preparation of the meals. If you have any time during the hours of 8:00 AM – 11:30 AM to assist, please contact Marian Berberich at 412-486-8000.

**9. BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY** – The Bread of Life Food Pantry is located at Calvert Memorial Presbyterian Church in Etna, PA. The pantry is open the first three Wednesdays of each month - with stocking of the shelves the 1st three Tuesdays. Volunteers are always welcome to assist with stocking, sorting and assisting our clients with shopping. Bread of Life serves over 120 families each month. If you or any group to which you belong are interested in the outreach ministry of Calvert (supported by Elfinwild and our neighboring churches at Glenshaw, Parkwood, Fox Chapel and Glenshaw Valley), please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Vickey Trader at 412-782-5742 for more information.

**10. NURSERY HELP WANTED:** We are looking for some extra coverage for the 8:00 service. Please contact Emily Cooper for more information if you are willing to help care for the smallest of our congregation.

**11. THE ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** will be held TODAY from 2:00 – 7:00 PM at the Kiwanis Park pavilion in Shaler. Dinner will be served at 3:00 PM. Chicken, hamburgers, hotdogs & beverages will be provided by the Deacons. Please bring the item next to the first letter of your last name for all to enjoy: A-H – side dish; I-R – dessert; S-Z – salad. We hope to see you all there!

**12. AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRL NEW TROOP FORMING** – Elfinwild Church is starting a new American Heritage Girls troop. The troop is open to girls ages 5-18. Please feel free to contact Pam McKern with any questions at: [pamela\\_mckern@hotmail.com](mailto:pamela_mckern@hotmail.com) or 412-512-3461.

**13. 2016 PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!** Directories will be available in the Upper Gathering Room before and after both services today. If your family picture appears in this year's book, you may pick up a FREE copy of the directory after signing for it. If you did NOT have your family picture taken nor submit a family photo for this year's book, copies will be available for \$10 each. Directories may also be picked up during the week in the church office.

**14. VIDEOGRAPHER** – Do you know someone who would be interested and able to create some video testimonials for EPC? We need someone to create the videos and someone with post production skills to add some labeling. Please contact Kelly Simile at (412) 445-3562 or [ksimile1@gmail.com](mailto:ksimile1@gmail.com).

**15. GOING ON A LONG VACATION OR LOOKING FOR SOME LISTENING PLEASURE?** We have something for you! New Testament CDs (mp3 format) are on the tables for you to take and enjoy. Our gift to you!

**16. NEW MEMBER NAME TAGS** are located in the library on the counter. Please stop in and pick up yours.

**17. THE TENTH ANNUAL SHALER AREA ALUMNI SOCCER GAME** will be held on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at the Biles Turf Field at Shaler Area High School, Wible Run Road in Shaler Township. Tickets are free. The event benefits the Scott Alexander Memorial Scholarship Fund, which was established in 2007 to honor the memory of 1989 Shaler graduate and standout athlete Scott Alexander, who lost a 22 day battle to brain cancer in 2007 at age 36. Scott is the son of George Alexander Sr. and the brother of George Alexander, Jr. and Lora Weinman.

**18. ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS** – We would like to compile a list of all of our students working on a post-secondary education. This includes commuter students as well as students living on campus. Please see the green insert form on the tables for more information.

**19. MEN'S LUNCHEON** – Please join us for our monthly Men's Luncheon. In September, we will meet on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please fill out the response form in the pews to make your reservation.